

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

REGION VIII

1860 LINCOLN STREET

DENVER, COLORADO 80203

March 17, 1976

U. S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY/STATE OF UTAH PUBLIC NOTICE OF RENEWAL OF NPDES PERMIT

PURPOSE OF PUBLIC NOTICE

THE PURPOSE OF THIS NOTICE IS TO STATE EPA'S INTENTION TO ISSUE A RENEWAL TO NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (NPDES) DISCHARGE PERMIT WHICH WAS ISSUED UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF SECTION 402 OF THE FEDERAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ACT AS AMENDED IN 1972 (FWPCAA), AND THE INTENTION OF THE STATE OF UTAH TO CERTIFY COMPLIANCE THEREOF.

PERMIT INFORMATION

PERMITTEE NAME:

ATLAS MINERALS, DIVISION OF ATLAS CORPORATION

MAILING ADDRESS:

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DENVER, COLORADO 80202

FACILITY ADDRESS:

P. O. BOX 1207 MOAB, UTAH 84532

TELEPHONE NUMBER:

GAS, & MINING

(303)534-8187 (Denver Office) (801)253-2131 (Moab Office)

NPDES PERMIT NUMBER:

UT 0000060

Atlas Minerals, Division of Atlas Corporation was issued a permit on May 13, 1974 to expire September 30, 1976. Delays in operability of the company's new acid leach circuit has resulted in an extension of time to attain "no discharge" from this facility. Originally no discharge was to be attained prior to April 1, 1976, the proposed renewal modifies that date to October 1, 1976. All limitations, with the exception of Soluble Radium 226, remain as in the original permit. The Soluble Radium 226 has been proposed to be modified from the present 6.0 pC/l to 3.0 pC/l. The recommended expiration date for the permit is March 31, 1981.

EPA/STATE TENTATIVE DETERMINATIONS

Tentative determinations have been made by the EPA staff in cooperation with the State of Utah relative to the proposed renewal to be issued to the Atlas Minerals, Division of Atlas Corporation. All limitations and conditions to be imposed on the permit will assure that State Water Quality Standards and applicable provisions of the FWPCAA will be protected.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public comments are invited anytime prior to April 17, 1976.

Comments may be directed to the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region VIII, Enforcement Division, Permits Administration and Compliance Branch, 1860 Lincoln Street, Denver, Colorado 80203. All comments received prior to April 17, 1976, will be considered in the formulation of final determinations to be imposed on the permit.

If no objections are received within the specified thirty-day period, the Regional Administrator, EPA, will issue final determinations within sixty days of the date of this notice. A public hearing will be held if response to this notice indicates significant public interest.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Additional information, in the form of the proposed renewal permit, may be obtained upon request by calling 303+837-3874, or by writing the aforementioned address.

The complete application, issued permit, permittee's request for renewal of the permit and related documents are available for review and reproduction at the aforementioned address.

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